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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

BROCHETON et al.

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USE IN ALLUVIATION"

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) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants submit this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of January 29, 2004. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from April 29, 2004, to May 29, 2004, as well as a check in the amount of \$110.00 as the fee for such extension. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.